

Welcome to Driftwood Restaurant at Barren River Lake State Resort Park







Starters

Mozzarella Cheese Sticks - Creamy mozzarella cheese sticks, rolled in a crumbly breading, fried to a golden brown and served with a rich marinara sauce...4.95

Buffalo Strips - Boneless strips of white meat chicken breaded in our special seasoned flour, fried to perfection and dipped in buffalo sauce. Served with bleu cheese dressing and celery sticks...5.95

Fried Green Tomatoes - Slices of green tomatoes dipped in buttermilk and rolled in seasoned meal, fried and served with spicy ranch dip...5.95

Chicken Quesadilla - Grilled flour tortilla stuffed with grilled chicken, diced tomatoes, green peppers, onions and shredded cheddar cheese. Served with salsa and sour cream...5.95

Cheese & Relish Sampler - Assorted cubes of domestic and imported cheeses accompanied by a fresh cut vegetable assortment. Served with ranch dip and crackers...7.95 Soups & Salads

Chef Salad - Fresh mixed salad greens topped with sugar cured ham, roasted turkey, Swiss and American cheeses, bacon crumbles, croutons, tomatoes and served with your choice of dressing...7.95

Chicken Strip Salad - Fresh mixed salad greens topped with your choice of fried chicken strips or marinated grilled chicken, shredded cheddar cheese, bacon crumbles, croutons, tomatoes and served with your choice of dressing...7.95

Garden Salad - Mixed salad greens topped with diced tomatoes, croutons and shredded cheddar cheese. Served with choice of dressing and crackers...2.50

Kentucky Cobb Salad - Wedge of lettuce with ribbons of feather-shredded cheddar cheese, hard-boiled eggs, baked country ham, croutons and diced tomatoes. Served with crackers and your choice of dressing...7.95

Soup of the Day - Ask your server for today's variety of our homemade soup. Cup...1.95 Bowl...2.50

Soup and Salad Bar - Help yourself to our all you can eat soup and salad bar (when available)...5.95

Beverages

Sides

All beverages 1.79 All sides 1.95 **Fountain Drinks** Baked Potato (after 5 PM Iced Tea only) John Conti Coffee Cole Slaw Juice Cottage Cheese Milk French Fries **Bottled Water** Onion Rings

Free refills on Coffee, Steamed Vegetable Blend

Fountain Drinks and Iced Tea Pinto Beans

Vegetable of the Day



Kentucky Favorites

Soup and Salad bar (when available) can be added to any Kentucky Favorite for 2.95 or substituted for a side item for 1.00

Catfish Fillet - Mild catfish fillet rolled in our seasoned meal and fried to a golden brown. Served with hushpuppies and your choice of two sides

One fillet...8.95 Two fillets...11.95

Chicken Strips - Boneless strips of white meat chicken breaded in our special seasoned flour, fried to perfection. Served with your choice of two sides...8.95

Grilled Chicken Breast - Boneless chicken breast lightly seasoned and grilled with sautéed mushrooms and onions. Served with your choice of two sides One piece...7.95 Two piece...9.95

Sandwiches

Add a soup/salad bar for 2.95

Kentucky Hot Brown - Toast points with baked country ham, roasted turkey, smothered in cheese sauce, topped with tomato, bacon and cheddar cheese. Baked until steaming hot...7.95

Kentucky Country Ham - Center cut of aged Kentucky country ham, lightly fried tender and flavorful. Served with red-eye gravy and two side items...10.95

Country Vegetable Plate – Your choice of three vegetables from our chef's selection, served with rolls or cornbread...5.95

Kentucky Country Fare - Pinto beans, fried potatoes, corncakes and cole slaw. Served with sliced onions...5.95

Hamburger - Our 6-ounce hand pattied fresh ground beef burger on a toasted Kaiser roll, served with fries...5.50 with cheese...5.95 with bacon & cheese...6.95

Catfish Sandwich - Mild catfish fillet rolled in our seasoned meal and fried to a golden brown. Served on a toasted hoagie roll with fries and tartar sauce...6.95

Chicken Wrap - Grilled flour tortilla stuffed with your choice of grilled or fried chicken, shredded cheddar cheese, tomato, lettuce and ranch dressing. Served with fries...6.95

Traditional Club - A toasted triple decker classic with sliced turkey breast, sugarcured ham, crisp bacon, American cheese, lettuce and tomato on your choice of bread. Served with chips...6.95

Country Ham & Swiss - Thinly sliced country ham, topped with melted Swiss cheese on a toasted hoagie roll. Served with fries...6.95

Grilled Chicken Sandwich - 5-ounce boneless, skinless chicken breast in our special marinade, grilled over an open flame and served on a toasted Kaiser roll. Served with fries...5.95

Philly Cheese Steak - Our version of the classic Philly Cheese Steak served on a hoagie roll with Swiss cheese, grilled onions and green peppers. Served with fries...7.95

Reuben - Grilled marbled rye with tender sliced corn beef, melted Swiss, sauerkraut and Thousand Island dressing. Served with fries...6.95

Barren River Specialties

Grilled Atlantic Salmon - Lightly seasoned, char-grilled and finished with lemon herb butter. Served with one side item and all you can eat soup and salad...13.95

Barren River Buffalo Strip - Kentucky Proud buffalo strip steak seasoned with garlic and spices. Grilled to your liking. Served with one side item and all you can eat soup and salad..19.95

Bourbon Honey Glazed Rib-eye - A 10 ounce rib-eye grilled to perfection. Topped with a bourbon honey glaze and caramelized onions. Served with one side item and all you can eat soup and salad...17.95

Buffalo Burger - Half pound fresh ground Kentucky Proud buffalo burger topped with grilled onions and mushrooms served on a Kaiser Roll. Served with fries...8.95

Pork Mignon - Bacon wrapped pork fillet lightly seasoned and grilled. Topped with our bourbon barbeque sauce. Served with one side item and all you can eat soup and salad...11.95

Almond Crusted Chicken Breasts - Two almond crusted chicken breasts topped with spiced pineapple salsa. Served with one side item and all you can eat soup and salad...12.95

Baked Catfish Fillets - Catfish fillets seasoned with your choice of lemon herb or Cajun seasonings. Baked to perfection. Served with one side item and all you can eat soup and salad...12.95

Fried Chicken - Fresh chicken coated with our seasoned flour blend and deep fried to a crispy golden brown. Served with one side item and all you can eat soup and salad...11.95 (all white meat 1.00 extra)



History of Barren River Lake State Resort Park

Established January 1, 1965

Vast forests did not cover all of Kentucky. In the south-central portion of the state an area of open grasslands known as the "Barrens" made a stark contrast to the heavily forested terrain surrounding it. The Indians had repeatedly burned the forests that once covered the region as a means to stampede and kill big game. These fires created an open savannah that in turn drew all types of wild game to feed off its lush grasses. Buffalo herds migrated eastward across the Mississippi to Illinois, and then to Kentucky. These herds came to the Barrens and multiplied, providing food and clothing for the Indians.

The open lands of the Barrens also drew settlers who found the treeless areas easy to cultivate. Originally the pioneers thought the treeless grasslands infertile because of the lack of forestation. They soon found the soil to be some of the best that they had encountered. Farms and communities soon began to cover the area. In 1798 Barren County became the 37th county of the Commonwealth of Kentucky. Taken from parts of Green and Warren counties, Barren consisted of 1,500 square miles. Beginning in 1815, the county had 1,000 square miles taken away to create portions of Allen, Edmonson, Hart, Metcalfe, and Monroe Counties.

Although Barren County had a railroad, most of south-central Kentucky remained isolated. The need for development became a topic for most civic and government organizations. A dam on Barren River had economic potential in the promotion of tourism. By 1960, construction of a 146 foot-high dam began on the river. When completed the dam had created Barren River Lake. The lake covers 10,000 acres and has a shoreline of 141 miles. The Louisville Corps of Engineers designed and built the dam. They continue to maintain the lake.

A movement by the people of Barren County to establish a park next to the lake became a reality on January 1, 1965. The state purchased adjoining farms to extend the park site and the Louisville Corps of Engineers donated acreage to round out the parks boundaries. In 1966 the park constructed a boat dock with a marina. The Department of the Interior, Bureau of Outdoor Recreation, approved a total development project of \$3,469,000. A federal grant of \$1,734,500 funded fifty percent of the estimated cost.

In 1971 the Louie B. Nunn State Lodge opened. The lodge overlooks the beautiful 10,000-acre lake. Barren River Lake is located in some of Kentucky's most scenic countryside. On the first weekend in June the park hosts Glasgow Highland Games, a festival celebrating Scottish heritage. Thousands of people attend this popular event each year.

